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1. SEE SEPTEL FOR GRANT LETTER TO ANTONOV. ORIGINALS OF
BOTH LETTERS POUCHED REGISTRY NO. 3775551. PLEASE TRANSMIT
FOLLOWING GRANT LETTER TO GLEBOV, WITH COPY TO INASHVILI.

2. 01.03 - FEBRUARY 13, 1978

MR. S. GLEBOV
STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE USSR
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS FOR SCIENCE
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11 GORKY STREET
MOSCOW, USSR

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DEAR MR. GLEBOV:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECENT CORRESPONDENCE AND FOR THE
SUGGESTED DATES FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SIXTH SESSION
OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP AND THE VISIT OF SOVIET
SPECIALISTS. TO GIVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME FAMILIAR

WITH THE JOINT US-USSR PROGRAM, AND TO ALLOW FOR UNHURRIED SCHEDULING OF THE VISITS, THE DATES YOU HAVE SUGGESTED ARE SATISFACTORY, NAMELY:

1) LAST TWO WEEKS OF APRIL FOR THE VISIT OF THE USSR SPECIALISTS.

2) THE FIRST WEEK OF MAY FOR THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE JOINT US-USSR WORKING GROUP ON ELECTROMETALLURGY.

BECAUSE OF A REQUEST BY THE USSR SIDE TO AVOID TWO VISITS TO THE USA IN 1978 BY SOVIET TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC LEADERS, AND BECAUSE IT WOULD SIMPLIFY SCHEDULING OF THE USSR VISITS IN THE USA, I AM REQUESTING THAT ALL SIX GROUPS BE REPRESENTED IN THE APRIL-MAY VISIT AND MEETING INSTEAD OF THE FOUR YOU RECOMMENDED. ALTERNATIVELY, IF THERE ARE SPECIAL REASONS TO DIVIDE THE VISIT OF THE SOVIET SPECIALISTS INTO TWO GROUPS, WE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THE GROUPS SPLIT INTO A WELDING GROUP OF THREE AND A REMELT PLUS EVAPORATION GROUP OF THREE, AGAIN FOR IMPORTANT REASONS OF SCHEDULING THE VISITS OF THE SOVIET SPECIALISTS. SOME OF THE US SPECIALISTS OVERLAP THE DESIGNATED GROUPS IN THE WELDING AREA AND WOULD THUS HAVE TO MEET TWICE.

WE VERY MUCH PREFER TO HAVE ALL SIX GROUPS REPRESENTED AT THE APRIL VISIT OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS, AND HOPE YOU
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APPROVE. I BELIEVE THAT DR. ANTONOV ALSO PREFERS A FULL MEETING OF ALL SIX GROUPS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AGAIN, AND ANTICIPATE WITH PLEASURE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP ADVANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE US-USSR TECHNICAL-SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION.

SINCERELY,

NICHOLAS J. GRANT
CHAIRMAN, U.S. WORKING GROUP
ON ELECTROMETALLURGY

CC:MR. INASHVILI. VANCE

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